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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence  
Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

VIA: Deputy Director for Intelligence

FROM:   
Chief, Policy Analysis Division, SOVA

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SUBJECT: Interagency Group Meeting on US-Soviet  
Relations

1. On 17 September I represented the Agency at a meeting of the Interagency Group on US-Soviet relations. The meeting, chaired by Richard Burt, was called to discuss the CIA and State contributions to NSSD 11-82, a review of US policy toward the Soviet Union.

2. There was little comment on the CIA paper, except for observations by the State and JCS representatives that it was a useful framework for policy analysis. The State paper was more controversial. DoD and Commerce charged that it was shallow and did not sufficiently define courses of action. The NSC Staff (Pipes) argued that it did not address the central question of how to make the USSR a less aggressive opponent. The JCS representative argued for a better discussion of the time sequence of US policy options and urged that the paper be updated periodically.

3. The chairman took the remarks on board, noted that he shared many of the agencies' concerns, but did not commit himself to incorporate them in the paper. He invited the agencies to submit specific changes in language to State by c.o.b. 20 September. He also indicated plans to convene a working group on US-Soviet economic relations (SOVA will cover this for the Agency) and possibly a group to discuss political action (A/NIO/USSR-EE will attend). It is planned to issue a

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revised, integrated draft of the CIA/State paper on 24 September and to convene a SIG during the week of 27 September. The final document is due to the President on 1 October.



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